

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary
Potomac Valley LWG - Grassland

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: Potomac Valley LWG - Grassland		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of non-point source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, excess salinity in impaired watersheds with total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) where available, groundwater contamination or point sources such as contamination from confined animal feeding operations?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement for water conservation or irrigation efficiency using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in water use?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable increase in the promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Will the treatment that you intend to implement using EQIP result in considerable benefits to residue management, nutrient management, air quality management, invasive species management, pollinator habitat, and animal carcass management technology or pest management?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Will the treatment that you intend to implement using EQIP result in energy conservation benefits?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP reduce contamination of surface or ground water from agricultural use such as pathogens, nutrients, or pesticides?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP reduce the amount of water used for irrigation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP reduce soil erosion to or below NRCS defined "tolerable" levels?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in meeting NRCS standard levels for residue management, nutrient management, invasive species management, animal carcass management, or pest management?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP reduce energy use on the operation covered in the contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Does the applicant intend to complete installation of all practices within 36 months of signing the contract? (all practices must be planned in first three years of contract).	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will all grazed fields on the land under this contract be managed in compliance with the 528 standard and specifications?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will items installed through this contract help to control the presence and spread of unwanted pasture plant species on the operating unit?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Will livestock be excluded from environmentally sensitive areas on the operating unit with measures	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

implemented under this contract?	
4. Are there areas that require critical area treatment within the grazed areas on the proposed contract acreage?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Is the quantity of livestock water inadequate for the quantity of forage produced, or is distribution of livestock water inadequate for the intended grazing system?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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Ranking Score

Efficiency: Local Issues: State Issues: National Issues: Final Ranking Score:
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

NRCS Representative:	Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: